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NR Eligible: yes ___ no ___

Property Name: Five Mile House Inventory Number: AL-V-B-005
Address: 1025 National Highway City: LaVale Zip Code: 21502
County: Allegany USGS Topographic Map: Cumberland Quadrangle
Owner:
Tax Parcel Number:Tax Map Number:Tax Account ID Number:
Project: LaVale Cellular Tower Site Agency: FCC
Site visit by MHT Staff: X no yes Name: N/A Date:
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: X A B X C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None
Is the property located within a historic district?no _Xyes Name of district: Inns on the National Road
Is district listed?no _X yes Determined eligible?noyes District Inventory Number: <u>Unknown</u>
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form and National Register
Description of Property Five Mile House is a National Pike Inn located on the north side of US Route 40, about five miles west of Cumberland. It is listed in the National Register as part of the multiple property nomination entitled "Inns on the National Road." The building is a frame structure with Greek Revival and Gothic Revival features. It probably dates from the 1840s, after the route of the National Road was changed to its present path through the Narrows. The building is a two story, five bay dwelling with a central cross gable and central entrances at the first and second stories. The first story entrance has a broad transom and sidelights and the second story entrance opening onto a narrow balcony has sidelights. Windows have two over two pane sash and there is a large brick chimney inside the east gable end. The entire building is covered with vinyl siding. There is a semi-circular vent opening in the peak of the cross gable. A brick foursquare style garage is located behind the house. A 1909 post card view of the inn is published in Albert Feldstein's Historic Postcard Album of Allegany County. It shows Five Mile House with pointed windows in the main gables and the front cross gable. Turned posts with brackets support a two-story entrance porch. There is a two story extension to the rear of the building and brick chimneys inside both gable ends. A picket fence encloses the yard. Determination of Eligibility
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Five Mile House, as a contributing property within the Inns on the National Pike National Register listing, is eligible. Although the building has been altered substantially, its historical associations remain and its architecture continues to express the ca. 1840s time period when it was constructed.

Historic Context

The seemingly forbidding mountainous region of western Maryland was opened for settlement by the proprietary of Maryland in 1734. The lure of iron ore, wood, agricultural land and later, coal, as well as access to the western lands beyond the mountain ranges, fueled the settlement of the region through the 18th and 19th centuries.

Agriculture in the rugged mountainous area later known as Allegany County was concentrated primarily in the bottomland along the many small streams. As in neighboring Washington County, grain farming, with the consequent development of grist and flournills, was the primary focus of production on these farms. Also important was logging and lumber production in the wooded mountainous terrain. The agricultural prosperity of the region led to its being served by important transportation routes, a good system of turnpikes, the National Road, C&O Canal and the B&O and Western Maryland railroads.

In 1806 the Thomas Jefferson administration began the construction of a federal highway that would lead to the newly acquired Louisiana Purchase lands comprising most of the central portion of the United States. The "National Road" began in Cumberland, Maryland and led to Wheeling in Virginia (West Virginia) and later on to Terre Haute, Indiana. It followed the old Braddock Road, a rough wagon track established by explorers and traders, and traveled by General Braddock in 1754.

The main wagon road from Baltimore to Cumberland, a collection of privately owned and operated turnpike segments, was eventually upgraded and consolidated to become part of the National Road. The National Road became one of the most heavily traveled east-west routes in America with traffic passing all hours of the day and night. Stagecoaches, freight wagons, herds of swine, geese and cattle headed to market, plus individual traffic passed along the pike. Taverns, inns and hotels were an important part of the travel-generated economy. Also important were blacksmith shops, wagon shops, and leather and harness shops.

In 1831, management of the National Road was turned over by the Federal government to the states. To mitigate the cost of maintenance, the Maryland legislature authorized two tollgates along the road which had, up until that time, been free. The distinctive octagon-shaped tollhouse was erected approximately seven miles west of Cumberland.

By the 1830s, the constant heavy traffic on the National Road had caused considerable damage to the road surface. The decision was made to macadamize the surface. At the same time, the section of the road leading out of Cumberland west was re-routed off the old Braddock road, by way of Mechanic Street through 'The Narrows' north of Haystack Mountain. Continuing along the narrow valley on the west side of the mountain, the new route reconnected with the original road near the tavern known as the Six Mile House. One mile east of the old tavern, a new tavern was established on the new section, known as the Five Mile House. The new route allowed a substantially reduced grade through the Haystack Mountain area and was soon followed by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

The traffic on the pike waned after the mid 19th century when good rail service was established to Cumberland and competition developed from the C&O Canal. Writing in 1882, J. Thomas Scharf described the road as dusty and untraveled.³ Activity on the road did not pick up again until the early 20th century when the advent of the automobile once again increased traffic. US Route 40, the Old National Road, became a major transcontinental route by the 1920s.

Cumberland at the turn of the 20th century was at its height. The network of railroads radiating from Cumberland which had begun to take shape in the 1840s and 1850s, along with the development of the C&O Canal, stimulated the mining

³ Ibid, p. 1333.

Scharf, p. 1332.

² Ibid

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boom of coal and iron ore in the second half of the 19th century in western Maryland.⁴ In 1914, National Road traveler Robert Bruce described the city as the second largest in Maryland at a population of 23,000, second only to Baltimore.⁵ The well-developed network of roads and rails enhanced suburban growth around the city.

Local real estate entrepreneur, David P. Miller, took advantage of both road and rail and the narrow valley just west of 'The Narrows.' In 1909, Miller purchased a piece of land along the National Road near the Five Mile House tavern; he named the half-mile long section "La Vale," according to local historians. Tourist postcards from 1910 and 1912 showed substantial American Four Square single-family houses with elegant Colonial Revival porches lining the National Road frontage; the postcards were titled "La Vale, Suburb, Cumberland, Md." As the importance of the old National Road (US Route 40) grew in the 1920s and '30s as a tourism route, LaVale continued to grow with the addition of Bungalow style houses.

At the same time, the importance of agricultural production, particularly grains, began to wane in western Maryland. The very railroads which drove the growth of the mining industry, also allowed the development of agriculture in the midwestern states. The family farms of Allegany County converted to orchard or dairy production, or more commonly, survived as subsistence farms.

Despite the resurgence of the National Road experienced in the first half of the 20th century with the growing dominance of the automobile, continued growth of traffic and the needs of the trucking industry proved to be the ultimate downfall of the route. Improvements to Route 40 included a by-pass of the Narrows and LaVale. Now Interstate Route 68 parallels the old National Road, carrying the bulk of the east-west traffic.

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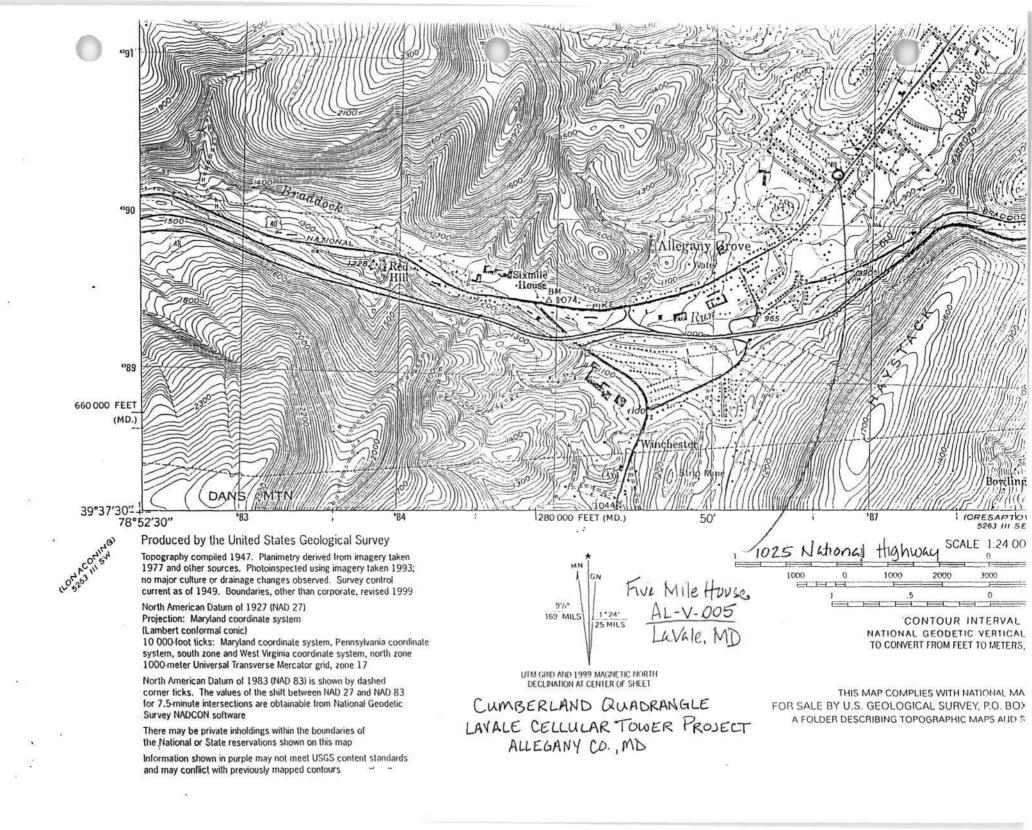
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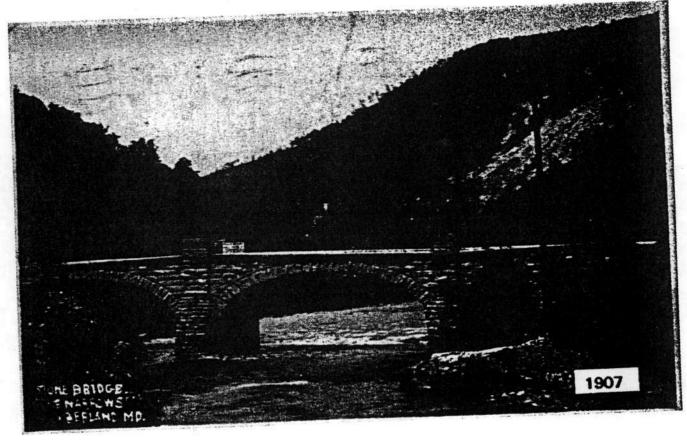
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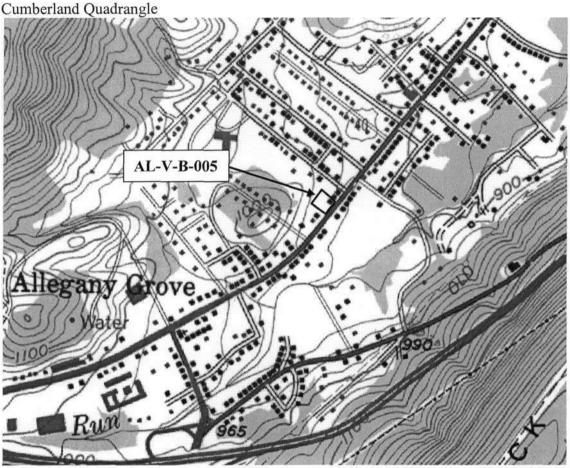


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LOCATION

- Flintstone Hotel (1) North side old U.S. Route 40, east of Murleys Branch Road Flintstone, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (2) Stone house or tavern North side abandoned Route 40, 2 miles west of Flintstone Flintstone vicinity, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (3) Six Mile House Six miles east of Cumberland on south side of U.S. Route 40 Cumberland vicinity, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- Early frame house (4) North side U.S. Route 40 near Mount Pleasant Road, east of Cumberland vicinity, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- Colonial Manor South side U.S. Route 40 at intersection with U.S. Route 220, east of Cumberland Cumberland vicinity, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (6) Four Mile House 520 National Highway LaVale, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (7) Five Mile House 1025 National Highway LaVale, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (8) Clarysville Inn (see number 12) South side old Route 40 at intersection with Maryland Route 55 Clarysville, Allegany County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (9) Main building at Penn Alps North side U.S. Route 40, 1 mile east of Grantsville Grantsville vicinity, Garrett County (Sixth Congressional District)
- (10) The Casselman Northeast corner, Main Street and Dorsey Hotel Road Grantsville, Garrett County (Sixth Congressional District)

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OWNER OF PROPERTY

- (1) Flintstone Hotel
 John T. Willis and Eugene Willis
 22 Greenvale Road
 Westminster, Maryland 21157
- (2) Stone house or tavern Mr. and Mrs. Jacob S. Teter Route 1 Flintstone, Maryland 21530
- (3) Six Mile House
 Edward E. Habeeb
 Baltimore Pike
 Cumberland, Maryland 21502
- 4) Early frame house
 Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Minke (Emma R.)
 Route 2, Box 173
 Cumberland, Maryland 21502
 - (5) Colonial Manor
 Philip S. Fey
 c/o Colonial Manor Motel, U.S. Route 40
 Cumberland, Maryland 21502
 - (6) Four Mile House Mr. and Mrs. J. Galen Metzger (Dorothy) 520 National Highway LaVale, Maryland 21502
 - (7) Five Mile House
 Mr. and Mrs. Tenton A. Fuller
 1025 National Highway
 LaVale, Maryland 21502
 - (8) Clarysville Inn (see number 12)
 The Clary Club, Inc.
 Route 1
 Frostburg, Maryland 21532

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OWNER OF PROPERTY

- (9) Main building at Penn Alps Penn Alps, Inc. Grantsville, Maryland 21536
- (10) The Casselman Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Miller Main Street Grantsville, Maryland 21536
- (11) The National Hotel
 Ms. Judith Miller
 Mr. Mark Silberstein
 National Hotel
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Eleyen of the inns that served the National Road and the Baltimore Pike in Allegany and Garrett Counties, Maryland, during the 19th century remain today.

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The Flintstone Hotel stands on the north side of old Route 40 to the east of Murleys Branch Road in Flintstone. It is a large, 2 1/2-story classical influenced brick structure of early mid-19th Century date with wings attached to the east and north (back) sides. The main portion has five bays across the principal (south) facade with internal end chimneys. has a wooden cornice and beaded bargeboards on the west end wall. The windows in the main facade are double hung wooden sashes with Victorian two-over-two lights and louvered shutters that appear to be original. The interior woodwork is mainly symmetrical molding, typical of the Federal period.

The east wing, greatly altered circa 1900, has approximately three bays along the street and double internal end chimneys in the east end. sits flush with the front of the main portion. Originally 2 1/2 storys ut lower in height than the main portion, the wing was raised to the roof line of the main block with a frame addition. The north wing projects to the rear from the west side of the main block and terminates with a shed roof structure at the north. It has a porch and balcony with a diagonal pattern balustrade across the east end.

Three large Colonial Revival style dormers, the center one with double windows, are spaced evenly across the roof that covers the main and east portions. A large one-story porch with wooden turned columns stretches across the south facade. The dormers and porch probably date from about 1900 when the east wing was raised.

In spite of the major alterations, the Flintstone Hotel retains much of its original fabric, making restoration possible and hopeful. An old photograph published in the September 1972 issue of the Heritage Press shows the buildings before alteration, with a one-story porch with squarish posts similar to those on the back across the entire front, a wood shingle roof, and a small attic window in the east wall of the main portion.

The stone house or tavern is on the north side of an abandoned section of U.S. Route 40, about two miles west of Flintstone. The present Route 40 runs to the north. What remains here is the hulk of an early 19th century stone structure of 2 1/2 storys with a gable roof. The rincipal (south) facade has four bays with two doors. All of the windows and doors as well as most of the interior are missing.

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DESCRIPTION

The Six Mile House is located approximately six miles east of Cumberland along U.S. Route 40 on the south side of the road. It is a circa 1830s-1840s, 2 1/2 story, brick structure with a later one-story porch, now enclosed, across the facade (north side). The gable roof was probably replaced since construction as the overhang is wider than normal for this period of building. The roof also has decorated barge boards. The principal facade has six bays. The main entranceway, now covered, is in the third bay from the east and has a doorway directly above on the second story. The principal windows have double-hung wooden sashes with sixover-six lights on the first floor and nine-over-six lights on the second story. The exterior appears to retain much of its original fabric. .

Located on the north side of U.S. Route 40 near Mount Pleasant Road to the east of Cumberland, an early frame house sits on the slope of a hill several feet above the road. It is an early to mid-19th century frame ructure of 2 1/2 storys with a tin-covered gable roof. It has five ys along the principal facade and brick internal end chimneys. The house is covered with beaded clapboards and has Victorian schroll brackets supporting the wide roof overhang. The principal windows are doublehung wooden sashes with six-over-six lights with flat board framing with scalloped upper corners. The eight panel front door and the one window to each side are covered by a one-story porch with a shed roof, four columns and two pilasters. The interior has architrave trim about three inches wide. The two rooms to the west of the center hall were combined and paneled in recent years.

Colonial Manor stands on the south side of present U.S. Route 40, north of old Route 40 in the Naves Crossroad area at the intersection of U.S. Route 220 east of Cumberland. It is a mid-19th century classical influenced brick structure, 2 1/2 storys, with an asphalt shingled gable roof with single internal end chimneys and parapets along the gable ends. The original front is the south side, which has a one-story porch and a symmetrical facade of five bays and a brick cornice. The principal windows have narrow frames and double-hung wooden sashes with six-over-six lights on the first floor and nine-over-six on the second. The north side was renovated as the front circa 1940 when Route 40 was relocated. It has a two story high porch with a roof balustrade and an oval window centered on the second floor. The interior has a center hall, four-overfour arrangement of rooms.

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DESCRIPTION

Located to the west of Braddock Run, the Four Mile House at 520 National Highway (U.S. Route 40) stands on the south side of the road in the unincorporated area of LaVale. It is a mid-19th century brick structure of Greek Revival influence, 2 1/2 storys high, with a symmetrical facade (north) of five bays arranged around a center doorway. It has a stone foundation, gable roof, double brick internal end chimneys and a small ell on the west end. The roof on the facade is pierced by three large gable roof dormers with flat pilasters flanking the windows. The center dormer has a Palladian window arrangement. A one-story frame porch with four columns, two pilasters, and a turned roof balustrade stretches across the facade. The dormers and porch are not original and were probably added about 1900.

The principal windows have narrow frames and double-hung wooden sashes with six-over-six lights. The center window of the second floor of the facade has a wooden casement window, not original. The entranceway has six-panel door with rectangular sidelights and transom. The brick at arches of the principal facade have wide flairs while those of the elevations are restrained.

The back (south) side has a high basement owing to the slope of the land, and double doorways. An Ionic-columned porch with a turned balustrade stretches across at the first floor level with a brick-floored colonnade at the basement. The south side of the roof has a large dormer with five windows. The porch and dormer, like those on the front, are not original.

The basement windows of the front and east sides have wooden bars or the holes for holding such bars.

The interior has a center hall with a four-over-four arrangement of rooms. The principal interior trim is the entablature type of molding about four inches wide. The paneled doors have shallow raised panels. The staircase has a late 19th century balustrade and newel post. The mantelpieces of the two rooms on the east side of the hall are plain with oval columns and a raised panel in the entablature. All eight rooms have fireplaces.

A fire in the late 1950s-early 1960s destroyed the second floor rooms on the west side and part of the roof. These have been renovated and rebuilt.

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DESCRIPTION

The Five Mile House, situated at 1025 National Highway in LaVale, stands on the north side of the road. It is a mid-19th century, symmetrical facade, frame structure, 2 1/2 storys high. The front (south) has a center door with sidelights on both floors and a later cross gable. The windows are two-over-two lights in double-hung wooden sashes with narrow frames. The interior has entablature and symmetrical molding.

The Clarysville Inn stands along the old section of the National Road, U.S. Route 40, to the south of the present road at Clarysville. It is a mid-19th century brick structure, 2 1/2 storys high, with internal double end chimneys and a wing to the back (south) side. It consists of a symmetrical facade (north) of five bays with center doors on both floors and a center hall with four-over-four arrangement of rooms on the interior. The bricks are well coated with paint. The facade has od cornice and three dormers which originally had smaller gable roofs. It cornice and the semicircular one-story front porch were probably added about the turn of the century. The end walls between the double chimneys have fanlights. The principal windows have double-hung wooden sashes with six-over-six lights. The east end wall has the supposed date of construction (1807) painted on it. The first floor of the interior was renovated in recent years for large dining facilities. A modern wing projects to the east.

GARRETT COUNTY

The main building at Penn Alps stands between present U.S. Route 40 and old Route 40, east of Grantsville. An early 19th century log house, it was enlarged to 2 1/2 storys and "modernized" in the Italianate style in the late 19th century and converted for commercial use with major renovations and additions in the 20th century. The principal (north) facade of the original building faces old Route 40. It has a symmetrical arrangement of five bays, a center door and a cross gable in the roof. A one-story frame porch with a heart pattern balustrade stretches across this side. Most of the windows of the old section have doublehung wooden sashes with one-over-one lights. The east windows of the first floor on the original front have modern double hung wooden sashes ith six-over-six lights. The interior has been greatly altered. The last room on the first floor, apparently two rooms originally, has been cleaned down to the log construction.

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DESCRIPTION

The Casselman stands on the north side of Main Street (U.S. Route 40) on the northeast corner of its intersection with Dorsey Hotel Road in Grantsville. The building is a circa 1842 Greek Revival brick structure, 2 1/2 storys high, with a stone foundation, gable roof, and double end chimneys. The principal facade has five bays with center doorways on each level. The doorways have multiple panel doors with rectangular sidelights and transoms with tracery. The windows have narrow frames that curve out, typical of the 1840s in this area, and double hung wooden sashes with two-over-two lights. A large one-story porch, not original, runs across the front. The roof has a large (not original) dormer with three windows on the facade.

The interior of the Casselman has a center hall, four-over-four room arrangement with symmetrical molding. The front door has a Carpenter and Company lock (circa 1840s). Some of the rooms have circa 1900 elements mixed with the original. A modern dining room wing juts to the rtheast.

Fronting on Main Street (Route 40), the National Hotel stands on the southwest corner of the intersection of Main Street and Maryland Route 495 in Grantsville. The hotel is a 19th century frame structure, 3 1/2 storys high, with a hip roof, a stone foundation, and a gambrel roof. A 2 1/2 story wing is attached to the back (south) side. The entire building is covered with clapboard siding. The principal (north) facade has two doorways and three large windows on the first floor, five symmetrically placed windows on the second floor, and five asymmetrically arranged ones on the top floor. An ornate, one-story frame porch with turned posts and balustrades and a classical columned projection over the main steps stretches across the front and along part of the west side. The roof is pierced with large double window dormers, one each on the east, north, and west sides.

The windows of the upper levels of the main portion have double-hung wooden sashes with two-over-two lights. The large windows of the first floor consist of a large single pane below two smaller ones. The windows on the wing have double-hung wooden sashes with one-over-one lights. All of the principal windows have decorated lintels consisting of sawtooth molding with trim above and small brackets. The surrounds of the second story windows in the main block flare out just above the sills. The interior of the lobby, which occupies the entire first floor of the in block, has Eastlakian-influenced trim.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

After the American Revolution, a number of entrepeneurs, quick to take advantage of the great need for good roads from the atlantic states to the West, invested their money to form turnpike companies. These turnpikes were better than any roads that had previously been built, but the cost of their construction and maintenance, in addition to a profit for the owners, was amply provided for by the tolls collected on the heavily traveled roads.

The need for a road from the port of Baltimore to the West was supplied by private turnpike companies. The first of these was created in 1804-1805 by the Legislature to build a road from Baltimore through Frederick to Boonsboro. Other companies were organized to build sections of the ad from Boonsboro to Cumberland. The banks in Baltimore and Hagerstown are members of these companies. The construction of the National (or Cumberland) Road was provided for by an Act of Congress in 1811. By the mid 1820s there was a macadam surfaced road stretching from Baltimore to Wheeling, West Virginia. The Road, later extended to St. Louis, carried more than half of the emigrants to the West during the first half of the 19th century, until railroad travel took over as the major means of transportation. Inns were built all along this road to accompant the many travelers, the emigrants to the West as well as the local farmers, millers and stock-raisers taking their goods to and from the markets in Baltimore.

The following is a description of travel along the National Pike penned in 1882 from the author's talks with people who remembered the heyday of the road. Doubtless, the facts are somewhat inaccurate, as men so often remember the past to be better than it was:

"Those who have participated in the traffic over that renowned thoroughfare are loth to admit that there were ever before such landlords, such taverns, such dinners, such whisky, such bustle, or such endless cavalcades of coaches and wagons as could be seen between Wheeling and Frederick in the palmy days of the old National "pike". And it is certain when coaching days were palmy, no other post-roads in the country did the same amount of business as this fine old highway, which opened the West and Southwest to the East. Besides the coaches and wagons, there were gentlemen traveling singly in the saddle, with all the accountrements of the journey stuffed into their saddle-bags, and there were enormous droves of sheep and herds of cattle, which at times blocked the way for miles....

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"....Nearly every mile had its tavern, and every tavern its pretty maid or jovial host. There were rival lines of coaches, and the competition led to overdriving and many accidents. The passengers became partisans of the line by which they traveled....

"The rival lines brought rival taverns into existence, and as the two opposition coaches drove into a town for supper, they pulled up before separate houses.

"The survivors of the old days are united in giving credit for the uniform excellence of all the taverns. They were clean, spacious, generously conducted and in some instances so durably built that they are still in good condition. The gilded and glittering sign swung out from a pole or staff, and a moss-grown trough overflowed and trickled melodiously before the porch, at one end of which an archway led into the stable-yard. The interior was substantially furnished, without filigree veneer. The floors were sanded, and the beams in the ceiling were unvered. An hour before the coach was due the landlord was to be found in a little alcove of the tap-room transferring his liquors from demijohns to bottles, setting his glasses in single file, and bidding his servants make haste with the supper..."

(J. Thomas Scharf, History of Western Maryland, p. 1329)

The route of the Old Baltimore Pike and National Road today is followed by several roads, beginning with Maryland Route 144, then sections of U.S. Route 40, Alternate Route 40, Maryland Route 165 and "Scenic" U.S. 40. Along this route there are eleven inns remaining in Allegany and Garrett Counties:

(1) The Flintstone Hotel, also called the "Piper Hotel", is said to have been built circa 1807 for John Davis, a large landowner. Probably erected as a private residence, it was serving as an inn by 1850 for both travelers on the road and visitors to the area's mineral springs. A seven room addition, including a tavern room, was built on the east end when the house was converted to a hotel (Heritage Press, Vol. #11, p.1). Well-known visitors to the hotel are thought to include the Marquis de Lafayette (1824), Henry Clay, and Theodore Roosevelt. The Flintstone is one of the largest and most formidable structures of its period in the county, particularly if the 1807 date is accurate. It is today used as an apartment building.

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- The Stone House or Tavern on abandoned Route 40 at West Wilson Road, west of the Flintstone Hotel, is now only four stone walls. It was supposedly built circa 1819 as a tavern for Jonas Street. As stone structures are uncommon (though not rare) in Allegany County, the very deteriorated condition of this one is a loss to the architecture of the county.
- (3) The Six Mile House appears to date from the 1830s to 1840s. It is typical in style of other inns in western Maryland, but has the interesting feature of nine-over-six light windows on the second floor and six-over-six ones on the first.
- (4) An early frame house on U.S. Route 40 near Mount Pleasant Road, east of Cumberland, was also used as a tavern. It is an early to mid-19th century period frame building somewhat altered to suit the styles and tastes of later periods.
- (5) Colonial Manor, a mid-19th century house, built as a tavern on the National Road, was altered in the 1940s when Route 40 was relocated to the north of the house. The building, sometimes called Turkey Flight Manor after the tract of land on which it stands, served as a hospital after the Civil War battle at nearby Falch's Mill in 1864.
- (6) The Four Mile House, called in deeds the Eckles Mansion, was builtcirca 1840 for Samuel Eckles. It gained its common name from its
 approximate distance west from the center of Cumberland. This inn,
 built to serve the National Road when it was rerouted in this area
 circa 1840, is representative of a common folk form of the Greek
 Revival style.
- (7) The Five Mile House, one mile west of the Four Mile House, was also built in the 1830s or 1840s.
- (8) Constructed in the mid-1800s, the <u>Clarysville Inn</u> and addition is still used today as a restaurant and motel. Supposed to have been built circa 1807, the building exhibits architectural features of the 1840s-50s period in Allegany County, and is similar to the 1842 Casselman Hotel in Grantsville, Garrett County. The Inn was used as a hospital during the Civil War. M. M. Townsend, a doctor from Eckhart was its director.

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- (9) The main building at Penn Alps, an early 19th century log structure, was used as an inn during the 19th century. It was enlarged and "modernized" in the Italianate style in the late 19th century and converted for commercial use in the 20th century. It presently houses a restaurant and craft shop run under the Highland Association, an organization for the preservation of the folk arts of the Appalachian area.
- (10) Built in 1842 for Solomon Sterner to serve travelers on the National Road, the Casselman is still run today as a hotel and restaurant. Variously known as Drover's Inn, Farmer's Hotel, and Dorsey's Hotel, the Casselman has traditionally been dated 1824 though its stylistic features, strongly influenced by the Federal style, are typical of mid-century construction in Garrett and Allegany Counties.
- (11) The National Hotel was built for Henry Fuller, an innkeeper from Salisbury, Pennsylvania who moved to Grantsville in 1837. The earliest part of the present structure was erected circa 1842 on the site of the Lehman House, an earlier hostelry. Serving as an inn on the National Road, it is still used as a hotel today, supposedly in continuous operation since its opening.

There were once dozens of inns and taverns along the National Road and the Baltimore Pike. Today, with the greatly lessened travel along these roads, few of these remain. These eleven buildings in Allegany and Garrett Counties, many of them still serving their original function, stand as the physical remains of the almost legendary hospitality offered on this well-traveled route to the west.

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- (6) Four Mile House (Cumberland Quad) 17/687960/4391730
- (7) Five Mile House (Cumberland Quad) 17/686790/4390320
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- (9) Main Building at Penn Alps (Grantsville Quad) 17/659320/4395520:
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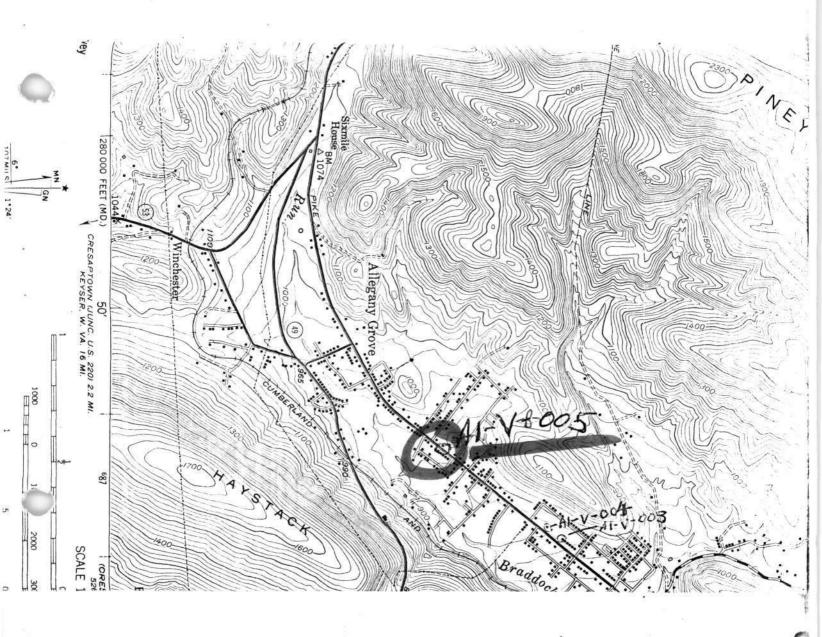
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